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Alexandria, Virginia 22313

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97-1.98,

Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Utility Model Laid-Open Publication No. 54-151326, published October 20, 1979, which is discussed on page 1 of Applicant's specification, along with English language claims thereof; and

Japanese Patent Laid-Open Publication No. 2002-041031, published February 8, 2002, which is discussed on page 3 of Applicant's specification, along with an English language abstract thereof.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite all of the above patents.

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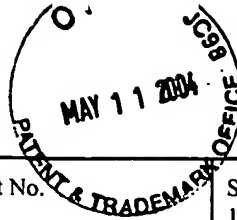
A copy of each of the above-noted patent documents is attached for the convenience of the Examiner and in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98. Further, each of the above-noted documents have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

1	English Language claims of JP 54-131526.
2	English Language Abstract JP 2002-041031.

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